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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD OF) Date: March 28, 2006
DIVIDING AND SUPPLYING GAS TO)
A CHAMBER FROM A GAS SUPPLY)
APPARATUS EQUIPPED WITH A)
FLOW-RATE CONTROL SYSTEM)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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- before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits of, after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under §1.114.

A copy of each non-U.S. document identified on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A is attached.

Attached is a copy of the Search Report issued in the corresponding WO 2004/114038 application. Since documents 1,2,3 and 4 were cited in said Search Report, it is believed that the relevancy of each document cited is clear from the Search Report. Accordingly, no further comment with regard to the disclosures of these documents is believed to be required.

Document 5 relates to ZOFIMARIN DERIVATIVE HAVING OXAZEPANE RING.
and Document 6 relates to a PRESSURE TYPE FLOW CONTROL DEVICE.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited, and that the Examiner initial a copy of Form PTO/SB/08A, and return them to the undersigned to indicate that the documents have been considered.

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